



Anniversary of HSA-UWC

Ki Hoon Kim and Michael Balcomb
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Dear Family,

Today, May 1, 2014, we celebrate and reflect on a very special anniversary. It was sixty years ago that True Father, with a few close disciples, established the Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity by offering a simple ceremony of prayer and dedication to God in an unremarkable Seoul neighborhood.

In his autobiography, *As a Peace Loving Global Citizen*, True Father reflected on the significance of that day in May, 1954, and the tremendous opposition that he faced both before and after that momentous declaration. Even the sign with the name of the new organization came under attack:

“People in the neighborhood laughed at our sign. They made fun of us, asking what kind of world unification we dreamt of in that tiny little house that ‘you have to crawl to get into.’ They didn’t try to understand why we had chosen such a name. They simply looked at us as if we were crazy. That did not bother us, however ... in our hearts we were more dignified than anyone.”

As we all know, True Father maintained that indomitable spirit until the very moment he ascended to Heaven, and no doubt he continues there just the same.

Today, our True Mother renewed her pledge and determination to carry forward the mission of True Parents and the Vision 2020 goal to unite all Christianity, and all the religions of the world, and to establish the Heavenly Kingdom of Cheon Il Guk.

Bishop Ki Hoon Kim and I would like to invite all of our churches and all of our American families to take a few additional moments of prayer and reflection to honor this significant and important day.

May God Bless you and your families,

Sincerely,

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